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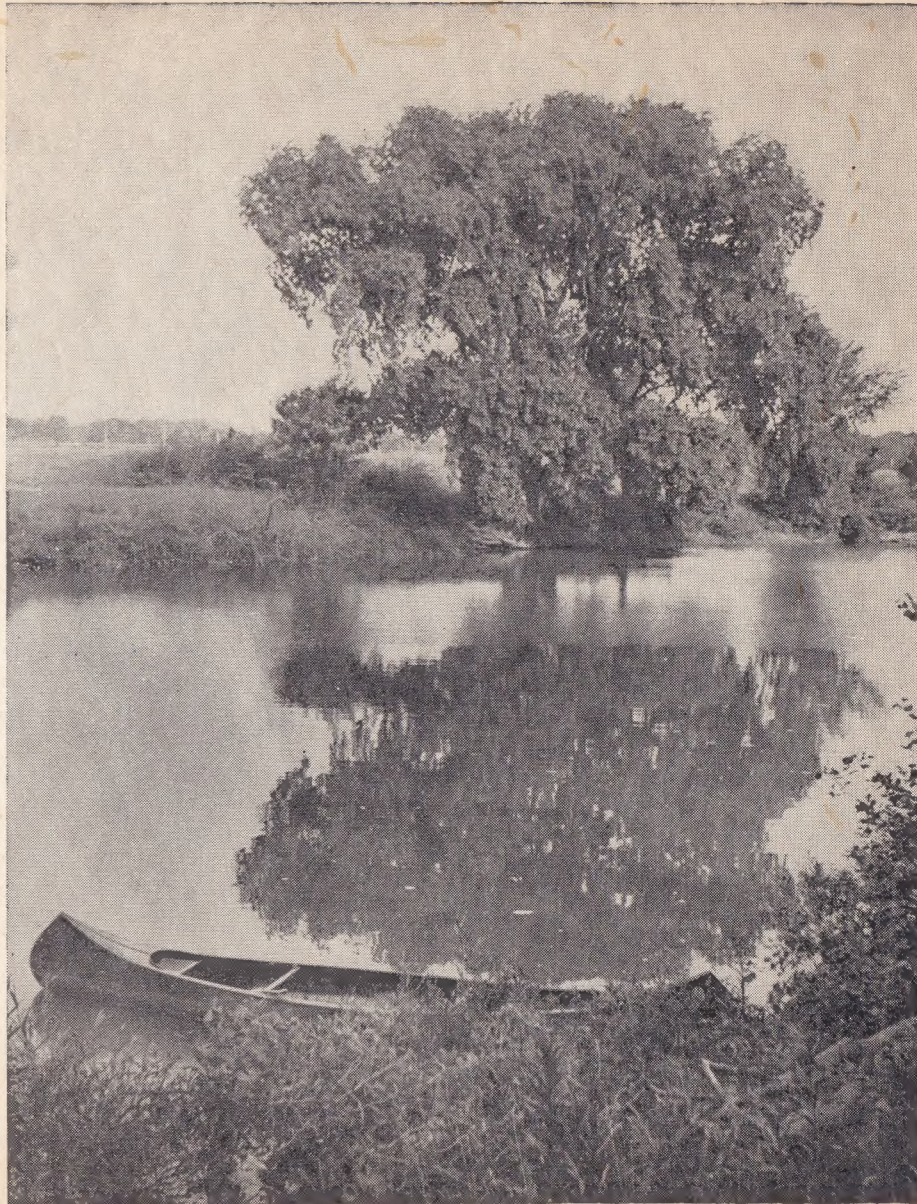
Livingston County Centennial Celebration

1837-1937

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Pontiac

"The Heart of the Corn Belt"

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VERMILION RIVER SCENE—Courtesy Pontiac Daily Leader

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History of Livingston County

By Dr. John H. Ryan

ILLINOIS, admitted to the sisterhood of States under President Monroe in 1818 added fifty-five thousand square miles of fertile land and mineral wealth to the rapidly expanding Nation. Favorably located in this area, was the territory now included in Livingston County. It was first included in Cook County, and later mostly in LaSalle and McLean, although a portion was attached to Vermilion County, hence the name of the river which courses its territory.

The first settlement made in what is now Livingston County was made by V. M. Darnall who erected his cabin in the southern part of the timber known as Indian Grove in the fall of 1829. About the same time Frederick Rook located about five miles west of Pontiac on a creek which bears his name, and soon Isaac Jordan located in the same part of the county. These three men and their families were the only white people in the county who saw the big snow. This occurred in 1830-1, and in the dead calm the snow fell to a depth of four feet. This was followed by a drizzling rain which turned to sleet, then intensely cold weather. Deer by the hundreds starved to death, and birds such as quail and prairie chickens as well. Food was scarce, the first settlers so recently arriving had not time to meet such an emergency. Even the Indians suffered severely. Rook and Jordan were driven to the extremity of making the trip to Mackinaw for corn. They made snow shoes from slabs of wood, and a hand sled from poles, and started on their perilous journey, while the women cared for the stock and kept the grease lamps burning as signal lights through the anxious nights. Each man received one and one-half bushels of corn, which they pulled over the undulating surface of the snow, requiring four days on their return. The corn was then pounded into meal by hand to appease the pangs of hunger. Darnall was in Mackinaw when the snow began and while bewildered in the storm, finally reached his cabin through the instinct of his faithful horse.

Andrew McMillan and Garrett M. Blue settled on Rooks Creek in 1830 and Jacob Moon at Moon's Point at about the same time. William McDowell with his five sons and two daughters came from Ohio to Avoca Township in 1832.

In this period men developed a peculiar craftsmanship. They builded mills and houses without hardware, even saw mills were constructed with no other form of metal but the saw blade, and transportation was undertaken on flat boats constructed wholly from the forest. The furniture of the cabins was hand made from the native trees; the first court house was built from lumber secured at hand; even coffins were neatly constructed from black walnut wood, a native product.

Just which was most important in the line of succession, the saw or grist mill, could best be judged by those who for a period of time were without either—such was the experience of those who first matched wit and energy with stubborn nature in the early settlement of the county.

The Black Hawk War broke out in 1832. The 630 Kickapoos about Olivers Grove were visited by emissaries of Black Hawk and urged to join in an avenging war against the white settlers, but they were restrained by the teaching of the faithful Missionary Jesse Walker, whose ministry proved most efficient in keeping these children of the forest in friendly relations with the settlers, although fear and limited means of defense led to a temporary exodus. On the morning of May 28th, the party consisting of seven families and six wagons drawn by ox teams left for Indiana. On the second day a daughter was born to the wife of Isaac Jordan. The mother and child were left at the home of Philip Cook of Cook's Grove and the remainder of the party pushed on to their destination. Martin Darnall, A. B. Phillips and James Spence removed their families to Mackinaw for safety. Franklin Oliver remained and was unharmed.

The question of subsistence in such remote regions naturally arises, but the territory was by no means a desert waste. Deer and smaller animals were abundant, water and land fowl were to be had for the taking, while fish of many varieties were an easy catch. The woods furnished fruit in abundance, and the area, one-sixth being covered with forest, furnished material at hand for buildings, shelter and heating. The sweets from the maple and honey from the bee trees were luxuries costing little labor.

The water fowl nested in unnumbered thousands in the favorable breeding grounds of the county, and thirty-eight families of song birds made music through the forests and about sheltered retreats. To these natural gifts, the deep alluvial soil of the county was prophetic of the abundant harvests to come.

The years of early settlement in the county was a germinal period for thought, action, and inventions. The monotony of centuries was to be broken in upon, in community, state and nation. The same year Abraham Lincoln was born an illustrious company was given being, who were to make the opening century the most conspicuous in human history. Enslaving toil was to be lifted from the shoulders of millions. Reforms were projected; human relations were to change, and assured earthly store was to banish the fear of famine, Livingston county was to become one of the seven most productive counties of the nation. Even with distance to mill and market, the population increased. Fifteen of the townships were entered by settlers at the time the county was organized; others followed in time, to be a credit to community life.

One encouraging feature was the improvement in farm equipment. In 1847 there was not a plow that would scour in Livingston County soil. The next year Henry Jones and Philip Rollins conceived the idea of a polished steel moldboard plow, and Jones being a blacksmith determined to try. Loading 10,000 pounds of dressed pork on five sleds he drove to Chicago, exchanged the pork for steel and a successful experiment was made two miles east of Pontiac. He continued making plows till 1849 when he quit to pilot a party of gold seekers to California and left the plow making fortune to David Bradley and John Deere, who

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Built in 1836 by Henry Morris. Four miles southwest of Cornell. It is the oldest building in Livingston county. Until 12 years ago it was occupied.

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were experimenting with plows of similar type at about the same time.

The mowing machine also belonged to this period; it was followed by the reaper. The flail for hand threshing of small grain was followed by the first suggestion of the modern threshing machine in 1837.

Settlements along the large rivers had advantages over those removed from means of transportation. When Rev. Thomas Cotton visited Pontiac in 1853 he writes that he was impressed by its isolation; it was forty miles from the nearest railroad, and at that time farmers had to go to Dayton above Ottawa to get their corn and wheat ground. Ottawa, at the head of navigation was the market for Livingston county farmers; four and five days were required for the round trip and these journeys had to be made at least twice a year. Families frequently ran short of bread stuff and had to resort to a piece of perforated tin on which the corn was grated. When the opening of the canal connecting the navig-

able part of the river with the lakes was assured, it was a consummation devoutly to be wished, and when the railroad was opened through the county in 1854, it was looked upon as an event, where life was to have a new meaning.

All authorities agree on the land boom following the coming of the railroad. Professional men, merchants, bankers, and politicians, as well as homeseekers and speculators were anxious at least to have an equity in a tract of Illinois land, but all counties did not have the same influx of purchasers. Livingston County was one of the more slowly settled, and for sufficient reasons. The depth of rich soil was there, but its flooded areas, especially in certain seasons of the year, retarded settlement, especially on the prairie. "The Vermilion Swamps," and "The Horsefly Kingdom," with malaria and insect pests, were terms which turned attention from its deep black soil. Drainage was the problem and once solved, health was assured and the county was to take a place with six other richest agricultural counties in the nation.

Fencing the cultivated fields became an early task to the first settlers; to protect the growing crop against their own and neighbors stock as well as from the herds of deer that roamed the woods and prairies. The stake and rider fence followed the earlier brush fences. With the advancing price of lumber and about 1853, the osage orange hedge fence was introduced, and thousands of miles of hedge fences were set out on the farms. With the coming of the railroad, cedar posts and pine boards were extensively used; again advancing prices brought barbed wire into use; then woven wire which insured added safety to stock.

Livingston County was formed by an act of the Legislature, Feb. 27th, 1837, out of McLean and LaSalle counties. The territory had formerly been a part of Cook and Vermilion counties. The entire population did not exceed 450 inhabitants, men women and children. In the act of organization, Thomas S. Flint, of Tazwell county, William B. Peck, of Will county, and James W. Pratt of Macon county were appointed commissioners to locate the permanent seat of Justice. They met at the home of Mr. McMillan on the Vermilion river, four miles northwest of the present site of Pontiac, on the first Monday in June, 1837. The conditions of the location were, that it should be located on government land, or if on privately owned land, they should be required to donate twenty acres of land, or the sum of \$3,000, the proceeds to be used in erecting the county buildings. After making an examination of proposed sites, the southeast quarter of section 22 was selected, with the under-

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standing that the provisions of the law should be complied with, which required the contracting party to give bond for the \$3,000, and donate a block of land 200 feet square on which to locate the Court House, also an acre of land not more than twenty rods from the square for a jail and stray pen, and build a wagon bridge across the Vermilion. C. H. Perry, James McKee and Jesse W. Fell were sureties. It is not likely that the matter would have been of so easy adjustment had it not been for the influence of Jesse Fell. The small population was distributed along the Vermilion river well across the county, and concert of movement favorable to any other community was not prepared for rivalry elsewhere. Henry Weed owned the land, his brothers-in-law, Lucius Young and Seth M. Young were interested with him. Isaac Wicher was the surveyor in the employ of Weed, who surveyed and plotted the town in July 1837, while back of these aggressive men was Jesse Fell, who was a determining factor in securing the C. & A. railroad on the present rather than on an earlier survey, two miles east. They satisfied the commissioners on the present location of the Court House. Jesse Fell wrote the application for the first Post Office and inserted the name of Pontiac for the town, through his sympathies for the fast vanishing race, and with a feeling that the names of some of the most conspicuous examples of Indian leadership should be preserved. He also named the county, after President Andrew Jackson's Secretary of State, Edward Livingston, who wrote the masterly state paper in answer to John C. Calhoun's nullification doctrine, and for whom he had great admiration. He also assisted Pontiac in securing the Pontiac Reformatory, and gave the land for the first buildings, while Fell Park and Fell's additions to Pontiac attest his interest and sympathy for the city to which he was ever devoted.

The present court house site was not entirely satisfactory, due largely to the fact that towns sprung up in several townships, and an election was held Aug. 30, 1839 to determine the feeling of the people. The vote stood 80 to 56 in favor of removal, but not large enough to carry. Before the coming of the railroad the chance of growth for one town was as good as another. They were removed from market centers, with the same limitations of transportation of goods. Several such towns started, and flourished for a time, but they are now a memory, among them may be mentioned Richmond, Avoca, and New Michigan. The last named had the only academy in the 50's.

Men of vision and enterprise came early, and made themselves felt in various activities. Samuel Ladd came in 1842, he was a man of education, social culture, and large business qualifications. The first mill

in Pontiac was built by C. H. Perry and James McKee in 1838. The first Court House was erected in 1839-40. The first Post Office was established in 1837. Cornelius W. Reynolds was postmaster. Letter postage was twenty-five cents. Judge Henry Jones built the first brick building in the county, the brick being brought from Bloomington. John and William Brown entered the mercantile business in 1842 and sold the business to Ladd and Gray in 1844. Charles Jones who was the original owner of the land on which the town of Forrest was built came to Pontiac in 1843. B. F. Phelps, John A. Fellows, John Walgomoth and Philip Rollins were conspicuous names in the formative period of county history. In 1846, Augustus Fellows having come in possession of half the town of Pontiac, arrived from New York and built the first Hotel.

In 1849 Cholera broke out in Pontiac and vicinity, among the victims were Augustus Fellows and two children, Garrett Blue, wife, son, daughter, and grandchild, John Blue, wife and one child, Dr. Hall of Rook's Creek. Miss Ann Oliver of Oliver's Grove. Thirteen in all. The fright



Livingston County's second court house, built in 1856 at a cost of \$30,000. Built under the supervision of County Judge Billings P. Babcock. Destroyed by fire on July 4, 1874.

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This picture shows Madison street, Pontiac, as it was 50 years ago. The dirt streets became a sea of mud during the Spring rains.

occasioned by the malady and the helplessness of victims, and scant services for the dead gave a severe setback for the community which prevailed till the coming of the railroad.

Naturally the most important event in the county development was the coming of the railroad. Work was retarded for a while by another outbreak of cholera. A young couple from the east stopped at the Buck hotel and two days later were buried; and before the disease was checked, ten others had died. Work having been resumed, the first train passed through Pontiac July 4, 1854. The train was pulled by a wood burning engine. The occasion was greeted with enthusiastic demonstrations of rejoicing. From then on every phase of activity received a new impetus. There are now 240 miles of railroad, six lines crossing or touching the territory of the county. There is no place in the county more than six miles in a direct line from a railroad.

During the 50's the slavery question, which had agitated the people since the foundation of the republic, now began to take more intense form in public address and political action. While defending his press, E. P. Lovejoy was killed by a mob in 1837.

From the conflict of restricting or expanding slave territory there occurred the most unique and thought provoking joint discussions ever held in the nation between Stephen A. Douglas and Abraham Lincoln. Seven meetings in different cities of the state, the first held in Ottawa, Aug. 23, 1858, and the seventh at Alton, Oct. 14, 1858. They were rival candidates for election to the U. S. Senate; both past masters of the art, in which they were to win new laurels, and by which they left a record of forensic combat, which through the years has not lost its human interest. But one was rowing with an ebbing and the other with a flowing tide, and while Douglas gained the legislative vote by 54 to 46, the popular vote went to Lincoln by a plurality of 3,568 votes.

In the presidential election which followed, they were the logical opposing candidates for the presidency, which resulted in the election of Abraham Lincoln, and brought to him the gravest responsibility any president ever had, that of Civil War between a people of common heritage and traditions.

Of the prewar conspicuous visitors we naturally think of Lincoln and Douglas, the former is said to have visited Pontiac three times. The first in the 40's to try a lawsuit, which for reason, may raise the question of proof, but there is not a question of the other two. However, one was not of his own choosing. He was on the train from Chicago in February, 1855, and became snow bound at Cayuga from which place volunteers from Pontiac with teams and sleds brought the passengers to shelter at the county seat. Mr. Lincoln and several others were assigned to the home of John McGregor, on West Madison and North Oak streets. Money being refused for the hospitality shown, in leaving at the gate he gave the two daughters each a gold dollar. The last visit was made in response to a request of the "Young Men's Literary Association" for a lecture which was delivered in the Presbyterian Church shortly after the close of his great debate with Mr. Douglas. The subject was, "New Inventions" but he told the assembled company they could call it what they pleased.

Stephen A. Douglas came to Pontiac the 19th of August, 1858. As a number of days intervened between the dates of the debates, these days were filled by both candidates in visiting and speaking in centers not on the line of the agreed circuit of the joint debates. Pontiac was thereby favored by a visit of the champion of "popular sovereignty." During his address he was interrupted by questions which he had invited, but which he answered with not much good humor. The address however

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was well received, although in the election following Mr. Lincoln carried the county by a majority of 212 votes.

Owen Lovejoy, brother of the martyred E. P. Lovejoy spoke in Pontiac, Sept. 15th, 1858. He was a candidate for congress and an orator of rare persuasive gifts, as indicated in that he held his hearers spellbound for three hours. He made another visit to the city in October, 1860.

The Civil War found Lincoln and Douglas now in one accord, though each expressed in his own way, the imperative duty of the government to preserve the Union. In his inaugural address the president pleaded "You have no oath registered in heaven to destroy this government, while I shall have a most sacred one, to preserve, protect and defend it"; and the senator in a speech at Springfield declared, "In this conflict there are but two parties, patriots and traitors, and the shortest way to peace, is the most tremendous preparation for war." This steadied the wavering sentiment of certain sections but Douglas soon died, and at a time when his patriotism and statesmanship were reaching their full consummation.

"Not without thy wondrous story," is suggested in the contribution of Illinois in the four years of fierce, civil strife. At the battle of Shiloh, and the siege of Vicksburg, more Illinois units were engaged than from all other northern states combined. Livingston county sent 1,444 to the front in various organizations. Twenty days after Sumpter was fired on, the 20th Volunteer regiment went into camp, and by the time they entered the sanguinary conflict at Shiloh, April 6, they were seasoned warriors. Here Anthony Knight the first to enlist fell, with many others from the county. Other enlistments were made in the 39th, 44th, 53rd, 69th and the 12th volunteer regiments; also the 3rd cavalry, and others in artillery service, and infantry companies in twelve regiments raised in other counties of the state. Of the 260,000 soldiers furnished by Illinois, 35,000 fell in battle. Of those who lived to tell the story, practically all have gone to join their comrades who in line of battle paid the last full measure of devotion.

This review, extended as it is, leaves many incidents, and individuals of character and worth, not herein mentioned. Distinguished visitors of international fame. The gold seekers of our own county, with their thrilling experiences, and fluctuations of fortune. The contribution of the hardy and exemplary settlers from beyond the sea, with examples of worth and heroism of those who spied out the land, and settled here, to look no farther.

They have not been overlooked nor will they be forgotten, for when the records are completed, as they shall be, all of value will be preserved, as it must be, to complete the story of this remarkable century with

what has been accomplished in Livingston county, since the Kickapoo Indians watched Valentine Martin Darnall erect his log cabin in the domain of the hunting grounds of their fathers.

And what of this man of faith and courage, who faced all the dangers and difficulties that could be arrayed against him, in this land in which no tree had been felled, nor furrow turned? A prophet surely, with his eyes fixed on woodland, stream and prairie, and with a wooden moldboard plow, purposed to begin the transformation now historic. The merchant, the manufacturer, and the professional man, waited for the coming of the man with the plow.

As ancient Rome in her hour of danger found Cincinnatus her deliverer plowing, and Robert Burns records "The native genius of my country found me, as Elijah found Elisha, at the plow, and threw her inspiring mantle over me."

In this centennial celebration when the question is asked for the source of energy which has turned a wilderness waste into an agricultural county of first rank in the nation, we may point with pride to Daniel Webster's tribute, "Where tillage begins, other arts follow. The farmers therefore are the founders of human civilization."



Mill street, Pontiac, 50 years ago. The sidewalks are elevated as can be seen at the left of this view north on Mill street.

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THE LIVINGSTON COUNTY CENTENNIAL ASSOCIATION

In Honor of
Those brave men and courageous women, who here
began the steady march of Progress
presents

"THE YEARS MARCH ON"

An historical pageant portraying the high lights along the way of
Livingston County's First Century—July 26, 27, 28, 1937

Narrator—Earl Carpenter
Rehearsal Accompanist—Pauline Peterson

A JOHN B. ROGERS PRODUCTION
Directed by John W. Judd

Mr. Russell Fielder at the Hammond Organ
Thru courtesy of Adams Music Co., Peoria

PROGRAM

PROLOGUE

A fanfare of trumpets introduces Queen Livingston and her Court.
An address of welcome by Queen Livingston.
A fanfare of trumpets announces Miss Columbia and the Forty-eight States.
Welcome by Queen Livingston and response by Miss Columbia.
A Recessional to the Court of Honor to witness "THE YEARS MARCH ON."

EPISODE ONE—THE BALLET OF CREATION

In the distance dim figures are seen. As they lift their faces to the heavens we observe the Dawning of Creation! Shaped and moulded into a beautiful harmony of movement. We behold the birth of Land, Sky and Flowers. In carefree and gay abandon they gather to dance in the Forest. All are at peace with the world because they have never been disturbed by the outside influence—Man.

EPISODE TWO—THE INDIANS

Scene One—Jesse Walker teaches the Kickapoos.

Father Walker, or Jesse Walker, as he is known in the records taught the Indians at Fort Clark in Peoria, had an Indian School in Ottawa in 1825, and another Mission in Chicago. The Kickapoos at the Grove had religious services, for Father Walker had taught them, visiting here first in 1826 and at intervals until 1829. He held classes among them at Pontiac.

Scene Two—Refusal of the Kickapoos to join the Black Hawk War.

In 1832, Black Hawk, the great Sauk Warrior, plotted an uprising against the white settlers. He sent a delegation to the Kickapoos urging them to join. We observe a peaceful Kickapoo Indian Village. The squaws go about their tasks, while the braves gather around the Council Fire. The Sauk scouts arrive and



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smoke the Pipe of Peace with the Kickapoo braves. The Sauk Chief states his errand. The Kickapoos refuse to join for Jesse Walker's influence held them loyal to the whites.

EPISODE THREE—THOSE EARLY YEARS

Scene One—The Early Settlers return after the Black Hawk War.

V. M. Darnall built his log cabin in 1829, ten miles southeast of the present site of Pontiac and Frederick Rook built four miles west of the present county seat. Other families came but at the outbreak of the Black Hawk War, departed for a brief period to find a safer place. After the trouble with the Indians subsided, some of the settlers returned and others came here to make their homes. Among those were Frederick Rook and Henry Weed. Others were Reynolds, Breckenridges, Rockwoods, Popejoys, McDowells, Brooks, Hannamans, Horns, Burgits, Moores, Phillips and Spences. We observe some of the families returning after the Black Hawk War.

Scene Two—The Wedding of Mary Darnall and Williamson Spence.

It was not long after the settlers arrived that there was a wedding in the county. It was the nuptials of Mary Darnall and Williamson Spence. The bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Valentine Martin Darnall, were the first settlers in the county. Reverend John Darnall performed the ceremony. June 4, 1837, was the eventful day.



Valentine M. Darnall

Scene Three—A Church Service in the Early Days.

Weather permitting, the first religious services were held in God's Cathedral, the virgin forest. We depict an early service.



Rachel, his wife

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EPISODE FOUR—THE CONQUERING OF THE BARRIERS

Scene One—The Wilderness Ballet.

The Ballet will portray the Powers of the Forest, The Powers of the River and The Mists from the Lowlands joyously dancing in the Forest. A strange sound—the shot from a gun is heard, and frightened they scatter in all directions.

Scene Two—Conquering the Barriers.

The Pioneers forged ahead, though on all sides, were dangers. The Forests had to be cleared; the Rivers were treacherous; Fever and Famine followed their paths and Death lurked near wherever they moved. Yet they braved these obstacles, conquered them and laid the foundation of a mighty "AMERICA."

Note—The entire episode is purely symbolical.

EPISODE FIVE—A COUNTY IS BORN

The first Court transactions were held in the Weed Cabin but the settlers decided a more pretentious place of public record was needed. Therefore a county was carved from McLean, LaSalle and Vermilion counties, and organized by three commissioners appointed by the Governor. These men were T. X. Flint of Tazewell county, William B. Peck of Will county, and James W. Platt of Macon county. Backed by Jesse Fell, one of the largest landowners, Henry Weed, Lucius Young and Seth M. Young were selected as best prepared to accept the conditions of the commissioners. These men had a meeting in Andrew McMillan's home, and the following conditions were to be fulfilled—(1) A bond for \$3,000. (2) A block of land 200 feet square for the court house. (3) One acre of land for the jail and an estray pen. We observe the meeting at the McMillan home and Livingston county comes into being.

EPISODE SIX—THE YEARS MARCH ON

Scene One—Henry Jones Invents the First Steel Plow.

Among those names that have gone down in history as benefactors of mankind is the name of Henry Jones of Livingston County who made the first steel moldboard plow, about 1848. This was the first plow that would scour black soil. And so the first steel plow came into existence and mankind was relieved of some of his drudgery.

Scene Two—The Mail Comes Through—

In the early days our country was for the most part a wilderness. Settlers did not receive their mail as frequently as we do. George Rice carried the mail through the county on horseback in 1849, making five stops on the way. His arrival with the mail was an anticipated one in the lives of the pioneers, to whom the arrival of the mail was an important event. George Rice brings the mail.

Scene Three—The Arrival of the First Train.

It was not long until a railroad extended its service into the infant County. The Chicago & Alton brought the first train into Pontiac. It was drawn by a wood burning engine and arrived July 4, 1854. The National Holiday was an eventful day. We picture the celebration.

Scene Four—The President's Call for Volunteers.

When word reached Livingston County that Fort Sumpter had fallen and that the President had called for 75,000 volunteers, men flocked from all parts of the county to answer the call. By 1860, 1444 men had gone to the Civil War from this county. We depict the Call for Volunteers and the departure of the first men.



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EPISODE SEVEN—THE WAR WITH SPAIN

The declaration of War with Spain in April, 1898, found two organized units of the Illinois National Guard ready for service; Company F, 3rd Infantry of Pontiac and the Hospital Corps, 5th Infantry, stationed at Dwight. Livingston County men were on every front; Cuba, Puerto Rico and the Philippines. The scene depicts some men from the Third Infantry of Illinois Volunteers, which included Livingston County's Company F entering the outskirts of the city of Guayama, Puerto Rico, Aug. 5, 1898.

EPISODE EIGHT—THE BOOK OF FAME

Many distinguished men of National and International fame have visited Livingston County in the past Century. In honor of these famous guests who have shared our hospitality we turn the pages of Our Book of Fame and behold—Chief Pontiac; The Prince of Wales, later King Edward VII. of England; Abraham Lincoln; Stephen A. Douglas, Robert Ingersoll, Owen Lovejoy, William Jennings Bryan, Theodore Roosevelt and Woodrow Wilson.

EPISODE NINE—THE WORLD WAR

WAR! Once more the God Thor demanded human sacrifice and from the county went young Americans to respond to the cry for help from the Old World. While at home countless thousands responded to the appeal of the Red Cross and Liberty Loan Drives. With the present unrest in the World foremost in our minds—we present this scene under the title of "LEST WE FORGET."

EPISODE TEN—THE MASQUE OF THE NATIONS

To our Country have come the people of all Nations. These have been assimilated and there has been evolved the mightiest of all Nations — THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

FINALE

A Century assembles and we all give praise by singing
"THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER"
"TAPS"

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PERSONNEL OF "THE YEARS MARCH ON"

Prologue

Queen Livingston and The Princesses (See cover page for selection)

Miss Columbia—Mrs. George Heckman, Pontiac

The United States

Mrs. Robert R. Kirkton	Darlene Kemmer	Mrs. B. Hilti	Joan Callaby
Mrs. Margaret Halloway	Vera Pellouchoud	Marie Croft	Benita Kreier
Mrs. Raymond Taverner	Pearl Thompson	Hollie Fields	Roma Hepner
Mrs. Rita Eggenberger	Mrs. Lester B. Kent	Ethel Vissering	Louise Tipton
Mrs. Charles Mortimore	Mrs. Celia Hepperly	Marcelia Obert	Juanita Snow
Mrs. Bernadine Gentes	Mrs. Florence Earp	Harriet Grandy	Alice Swanson
Chrystal Thompson	Pauline Netherton	Ethel M. Klyver	Dolores Ogg
Mrs. Bernie Louden	Frances Wessels	Louise Trent	Arlene Frobish
Mrs. Beulah Louden	Mary M. Wilson	Elizabeth Kuntz	Ruth Koltveit
Mrs. Maude Schultz	Lucinda Flynn	Ethel Andreas	Dorothy Byrne
Elizabeth Denman	Mrs. Glen Ruff	Mildred Legner	Mildred Harms
Mrs. Edith Bennett	Mary Kehoe	Elda Mae Elliott	Juanita Larkin

Representing—Broughton, Avoca, Saunemin, Nevada, Long Point, Union, Owego, Esemen, Germanville, Fayette, Belle Prairie, Newtown, Indian Grove, Rooks Creek, Nebraska, Eppards Point, Pike, Waldo and Pontiac Townships.

Trumpeters—Carl Ramsey, Ronald Meeker, Howard Paul, Louis Paul

Color Guard

Richard Bowen	John K. Husted	Vernon Pitcher	Sam Vitale
James Braddy	James T. Jones	John A. Pitcher	McDonald Willhoite
Howard Davies	Lyal Lauth	John R. Scatterday	Jack Lovelock
Merle Durham	Ferry Laver	Harold Scott	Wayne Overmier
John R. Follmer	Dean McGregor	Jack Singer	Stricklin Barnes
James Holding	Lloyd Prisk, Jr.	Dave Stricklin, Jr.	Robert Babb

Pages to Queen Livingston

Marie Ferrall	Myra Ferrall	Margaret Melland	Patsy Clevenger
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Episode One—Ballet of Creation

Spirits of Creation—Cast selected from Pontiac

Jean Mossholder	Dorthea Middleton	Betty Follett	Doreen Cullen
Barbara J. Husted	Betty Dolan	Betty Heylin	Marietta Legg
Ruth Baker	Lois Moore	Mary Alice Adams	Marion Shepherd
Peg McMahon	Frances Sesler	Helen Touve	Margaret Ross
Marjorie Bradburn	Patricia Lovelock	Joan Johnson	Geraldine Sebek
Elaine McGuire	Virginia Young	Peggy Morrow	

Land

Dorothy Loghry	Virgina L. Moore
Mary C. Gregory	Josephine Shannon
Janet Armstrong	Shirley Holding
Mary Redlick	Betty Leatherman
Erma Seeman	Mary Brown
Ronelda Murray	Lois Rupp

Sky

Mary Donnell
Marilyn Moffett
Jean Stephenson
Audrey Mossberger
Jean Fox

Flowers

Madelyn Greenwald
Finnette Murphy
Betty Pemberton
Henretta Moore
Doreen McKibben

Episode Two—The Indians

Jesse Walker.....	Alvin Brown	Scout.....	Henry Bork
Chief.....	Justine Ehman	Sauk Indians.....	Paul Zorn
Chief.....	Ray Kurtenbach		Raymond Sleeth

Braves

Bob Sleeth
Jimmy Meister
Sam Tauber
Ray Rosenberer
Norman Grimsley
Kenneth Wilson
Arnold Rigsby

Mrs. Bud Sloan
Clarice Gerbacht
Velma O'Brien
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Squaws

Loretta Gutzwiler
Louise Gutzwiler
Marguerite Gutzwiler
Mrs. Alex Schroeder
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Mary Zorn

Episode Three—Those Early Years

Bride.....	Vivian Taylor (Valentine Martin Darnall, 1830)
Groom.....	William Spence (Williamson Spence, 1831)
Minister.....	Howard Fugate (William Fugate, 1849)

Early Settlers

Rachel Spence— (Williamson Spence, 1831)	Karl Keck— (Dan R. Potter, 1858)
Almeda Frances Fouts— (Richard Moore, 1832)	Isam Travis— (Jeremiah Travis, 1834)
Hannah Frances Churchill— (William McDowell, 1832)	Gerald Popejoy— (William Popejoy, 1831)
Agnes Steers— (Hugh Steers, 1834)	Howard Morrison— (Samual Morrison, 1840)
Mayme Hieronymus Payne— (Benjamin Hieronymus, 1839)	Lytle Hieronymus— (Benjamin Hieronymus, 1839)
Marion Ramsey— (William McDowell, 1832)	Dewey DeMoss— (Asa DeMoss, 1840)
Vivian Barnes— (James Cooper, 1834)	Constance DeMoss— (Asa DeMoss, 1840)
Celia Mitchell— (William Popejoy, 1831)	Olive Mae James— (Thomas Beach, 1854)
Kenneth Ely— (David S. Crum, 1855)	Charles Veatch— (Decatur Veatch, 1846)
Logan Kring— (John Kring, Sr., 1848)	Wayne Mitten— (John Bennett, 1853)

NOTE—The name in parenthesis following the participants name is that of the ancestor from which they are descended. Every participant is a direct descendant of the first settlers.

Episode Four—The Conquering of the Barriers

Pioneer Man.....	W. G. Follmer	Famine.....	Mrs. Hazel Karcher
Pioneer Woman, Mrs. Muriel Randolph		Death.....	L. M. Myers
Fever.....	June King		—Cast selected from Forrest

Spirit of The Wilderness—Patricia Lovelock, Pontiac

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(Episode Four continued)

Powers of the Forest	Powers of the River	Mist Maidens
Prudence Johns	Jean Dice	Thelma Tramel
Ardelle Burton	Helen Dice	Rose Myers
Lucille Cassidy	Dora Dice	Mary Patterson
Pauline Miner	Ruth Baker	Mona Brown
Shirley Blue	Phyllis Mortano	Willene Swager
Martha Nuld	Betty Corrigan	Erma Meils
Lois Drenan	Given Baker	Benita Kreier
Peggy Brust	Helen Ide	Betty Defenbaugh
Lois Dice	Rita Ruddy	

—Cast selected from Cornell and vicinity

Episode Five—A County is Born

The First Commissioners

Jesse Fell.....	Dr. A. B. Morrow	T. S. Flint.....	Chester Crabtree
Seth M. Young.....	Grant Armstrong	Wm. P. Peck.....	Ira A. Erwin
Lucius Young.....	Ralph Bowen	James W. Platt.....	Victor Opperman
Henry Weed.....	Dr. H. L. Parkhill		

Episode Six—The Years March On

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Period

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Mr. and Mrs. Chester Salzman	Mr. and Mrs. Carl Myers
Mr. and Mrs. Amon Scheeler	Mr. and Mrs. John Phillips
Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Greenman	
Mrs. Hilda Good	Miss Stella Cullen
Mrs. Ethel Brunskill	Miss Desparido
Mrs. Mary O'Brien	Edward Richardson
Miss Eleanor Fosdick	Charles Ririe

Civil War Soldiers

Donald Harms	Harold Ririe	Keith VanDoren
Paul Dillor	Junior Ingold	Ed Cullen

Officer—Leonard Wertz

—Cast selected from Flanagan and vicinity

Episode Seven—The War with Spain

U. S. Soldiers

Gail Plowman	Jack Bowers	William Sheppard	James Dolan
John Bradshaw	Eli Studebaker	Joseph Fitzpatrick	John Jobst
Larry Bradshaw	Robert Hall	Matt Finnell	George Sotos

Wounded Men—Delbert Lewis, Ernest McCabe, Robert Partridge

Native Women—Velma O'Brien, Henrietta Henrichs

Episode Eight—The Book of Fame

Book of Fame

Chief Pontiac.....	James Soule	Prince of Wales.....	Henry J. McConnell
Abraham Lincoln.....	George Brunskill	Robert Ingersol.....	E. A. Simmons
Stephen A. Douglas.....	Father Shea	Wm. Jennings Bryan, J. H. McFadden	
Long John Wentworth.....	W. L. Tuesburg	Theodore Roosevelt.....	Rev. A. H. Smith
Owen Lovejoy.....	Judge Ray Sesler	Woodrow Wilson.....	E. H. McCollm

Episode Nine—The World War

The World War

Woodrow Wilson, E. H. McCollm

Nurses—Margaret E. Wolfhope, Mary E. Shafer, Mrs. Larry Bradshaw, Mrs. Merle Miller.

Scouts—Lee Fillingham, Gene Randolph, Richard Scatterday, Merlyn Shanebrook, Lyman Welch.

Soldiers—Members of Joda Post No. 54, American Legion, Fairbury.

Episode Ten—The Masque of The Nations

U. S. Jackies

Dorothy Monahan	Johanna Endres	Kathryn Bock	Carolyn Kueffner
Ada Rosendahl	Ruth Ford	Joanna Grosenback	Helen Ford
Josephine Endres	Bernadine Elman	Lucille Kueffner	Marjorie Ribordy
Bette Sterrenberg	Mary Trunk	Janice Daniels	Gladys Hummel
Helen Fraher	Dorothy Jean Hior	Theresa Hubly	Dorothy Grieder
Mary Rita Kane	Corine Yount		

—Cast selected from Chatsworth and vicinity

Chinese	English	Irish	German
Coolie Girls	Lassies	Colleens	Frauleins
Catherine Ring	Margaret Kinsinger	Harryette Werling	Dorothy Schlipf
Leora Reichert	D. Westermeyer	Dorothy Mundell	Dorothy Short
Eileen Skinner	Erma Seeman	Cathryn Wink	Lois Purkey
Maxine Somers	Joan Hemken	Barbara Foster	Pauline Altstadt
Marilyn Tjardes	Velda Westermeyer	Lucille Gilbb	K. Cottingham
Leota Armstrong	Dorothea Kennedy	Betty Hirstein	Mary V. Williams
—Strawn 4-H	—Pike 4-H	—Fairbury	—Forrest
Italian	French	Japanese	Belgian
Maids	Mademoiselles	Geshia Girls	Maids
Catherine Yeagle	Doris Beller	Gladys Hansen	Virginia Hubly
Marilyn Thompson	Delores Bertsche	June R. Porter	Monica Monahan
Charline Beckley	Margaret Wertz	Wanda Ehrhardt	Lois Sterrenberg
Mary Nance	Myrna Slagell	Pearl Mortimore	Lucille Perkins
Betty Hildreth	Doris Raber	Agnes Hansen	Annetta Saathoff
Helen Craig	Bernice Smith	Mary Kinsinger	Eileen Gerdes
—Fairbury	—Pleas. Grove 4-H	—Owego 4-H	—Charlotte 4-H

U. S. A. Girls

Velda Eggenberger	Ruth Hilti	Mildred Gassman	Mary J. Fieldcamp
Donna Smith	Phyllis Huber	Gladys Gassman	Kathryn Isenberg
Vera Hilti	Esther Weber	Betty Swartz	Lydia Combs
Irene Kelly	Helen Cleary	Louise Isenberg	Pauline Byrum
Mary Lois Bartley	Betty Lannon	Eva Frazier	Marilyn Bennett
Priscilla Heylin	Jean Avis Quigley	Norma Bennett	Joan Isenberg
Leona Eggenberger	Pat Chesebro	Joyce Marsh	Ora Jean Byrum
Mary Nell Scott	Laura Jane Scott		

—Cast selected from Saunemin and vicinity

FINALE—Entire Cast

Pageant Organist—Mr. Russell Fielder at the Hammond Organ

The choir participating in this pageant are members of the Pontiac Woman's Club Chorus and Fairbury's Men's Chorus.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

CHURCH HOMECOMING DAY—SUNDAY, JULY 25

Events	Time	Place
Special Church Services.....		—County Churches
Opening of Relics Museum.....	1 p. m.	—Grade School Gym
Band Tournament	2 p. m.	—Riverview Park
“Joan of Arc,” Cantata.....	8 p. m.	—Play Park
Dancing, Johnny Svancarek’s Orchestra.....	9 p. m.	—Court House Square

LIVINGSTON COUNTY DAY—MONDAY, JULY 26

Events	Time	Place
Free Acts	1 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
Coronation of Queen.....	1:30 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
Historical Parade	2 p. m.	—Business District
(In case of rain, 7 p. m.)		
Concert, Kankakee H. S. Band.....	3:30 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
Organ Concert	7 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
(Organ furnished by Harris Funeral Home)		
Concert, Pontiac Municipal Band.....	7:30 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
“The Years March On”.....	8:30 p. m.	—Play Park
Free Acts	8:30 p. m.	—Court House Square
Dancing, Sammy Berk’s Orchestra.....	9 p. m.	—Court House Square

AGRICULTURE DAY—TUESDAY, JULY 27

Events	Time	Place
Free Acts	1 p. m.	—Court House Square
Agriculture Parade	1:30 p. m.	—Business District
Exhibit of Farm Machinery.....	2 p. m.	—Business District
Rural Contests	2:30 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
Organ Concert	7 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
(Organ furnished by Harris Funeral Home)		
Concert, Pontiac Municipal Band.....	7:30 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
“The Years March On”.....	8:30 p. m.	—Play Park
Free Acts	8:30 p. m.	—Court House Square
Dancing, Cliff Lee’s Orchestra.....	9 p. m.	—Court House Square

LIVINGSTON COUNTY CENTENNIAL DAY

WEDNESDAY, JULY 28

Conducted by Livingston County Recreational Association
and Pontiac Y. M. C. A.

Events	Time	Place
Track Events	9 a. m.	—Alumni Field
Tennis	9 a. m.	—H. S. Tennis Court Platt’s Tennis Court
Bicycle Race	10:30 a. m.	—Alumni Field
100 yard dash (open)		
100 yard slow		
Golf (18 holes)	9 a. m.—6 p. m.	—Vermilion Fields Country Club
Free Acts	1 p. m.	—Court House Square
Badminton	1 p. m.	—Y. M. C. A.
Aquatic	1 p. m.	—Humiston Mem’l Pool
Drama and Music Finals.....	1:30 p. m.	—Court House Square
Horseshoe Pitching	1:30 p. m.	—Play Park
Ping Pong	3 p. m.	—Riverview Park
Archery	3:30 p. m.	—Play Park
Canoe Race	4:30 p. m.	—Vermilion River along Riverview & Play Park
Presentation of Medals.....	5 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
Organ Concert	7 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
(Organ furnished by Harris Funeral Home)		
Concert, Pontiac Municipal Band.....	7:30 p. m.	—Court House Lawn
“The Years March On”.....	8:30 p. m.	—Play Park
Free Acts	8:30 p. m.	—Court House Square
Boxing Show	8:30 p. m.	—Riverview Park
Dancing, Cliff Lee’s Orchestra.....	9 p. m.	—Court House Square

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Cantata *Joan of Arc* Sunday evening, July 25 Play Park, 8 p. m.

Conductor, Jack North
Pianist, Irene Conrad
Organist, Russell Fielder

Joan of Arc.....	Martha Rae Llewellyn, Soprano
Philip.....	John Alfred Neu, Tenor
Robert De Baudricourt.....	G. Herbert Fitz, Baritone
Voices.....	<div style="display: flex; align-items: center;"> <div style="font-size: 3em; margin-right: 10px;">{</div> <div> Mrs. S. G. Turner Mrs. J. F. Scouller Miss Joan Hughes </div> </div>

SYNOPSIS:

Joan of Arc, "The Maid of Orleans" was born in Domremy on the 6th of January, 1412.

Youths and Maidens are holding a May Festival. Joan comes; but, brooding over the woes of France, shuns their festivities, which she leaves as summoned by VOICES—"The Voices" that became incentives, dear and familiar, to her career. Joan, assuming a man's garb, is clad in armor; a sword, banner, and steed are provided her. Accompanied by several armed men she journeys to besieged Orleans. They reach and enter Orleans; the enemy's watch at the outposts, through fear, not preventing. The seige is raised; the English and Burgundian forces retreat. Other victories follow; the hour of reversal arrives. At Compeigne, driven back from a sortie, the drawbridge of the town, by treachery or cowardice, is closed on Joan, who is captured by the enemy. Taken to Rouen, she is tried, condemned, and led to the stake for execution.

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Carl Jensen
A. L. Lee
Joe Reis
Miss Florence Sass
Joe Castle

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Miss Patricia Lovelock
Mrs. Marion Pritchard
Miss Reba Brown
Perry Burnett

Violas

Miss Ailene Worth
Miss Mary Godard

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LIVINGSTON COUNTY celebrates this week—July 25 to 28, 1937—the centennial of its organization. In behalf of our thirty townships, our villages, towns, and cities, we welcome you to your celebration. Your partonage has made this centennial possible, and we trust you will greatly enjoy it.

Judge Clyde H. Thompson,
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To the hundreds of Livingston County citizens who have given of their time and energy, to those whose contributions assisted in financing of the Centennial, and to the people of the county at large who have given their loyal support to the Centennial, we extend our thanks and appreciation.

This Centennial gives renewed evidence of that spirit of solidarity which has characterized our people during these hundred years and still remains to inspire these commemorative ceremonies.

The cooperation of the publishers and editors of Livingston County newspapers in giving this Centennial unprecedented space and lending interest and aid in other ways is largely responsible for our success. Without them we could not have organized and operated the vast county-wide machinery of our Centennial activities.

To all others who have been instrumental in bringing our Centennial plans to a successful conclusion, we say, "You have our sincere thanks."

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